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AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

AMEMBASSY ATHENS

AMEMBASSY BANGUI

AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY BUJUMBURA

AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

AMEMBASSY KIGALI

AMEMBASSY LUSAKA

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY ROME

INFO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

AMCONSUL LUBUMBASHI

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SUBJECT: ZAIRIAN ENTRY REGULATIONS

DEPARTMENT FOR SCA AND AF/C

1/ AS ADDRESSEES AWARE, GOZ LAST YEAR ESTABLISHED ENTRY REGULATIONS MAKING KINSHASA ONLY RPT ONLY AUTHORIZED PORT OF ENTRY FOR ALL FOREIGNERS. SINCE THAT TIME, ENFORCEMENT HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT SPOTTY BUT IS NOW EXTREMELY TIGHT ON EASTERN FRONTIERS. ONLY EXCEPTIONS OF WHICH WE ARE AWARE APPLIES TO BONA FIDE RESIDENTS OF BORDERING COUNTRIES WHO MAY ENTER ZAIRE AT POINTS OTHER THAN KINSHASA. WE UNDERSTAND THAT
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ZAIRIAN EMBASSY IN BUJUMBURA HAS DEFINED RESIDENTS TO INCLUDE

THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS RESIDENT IN BURUNDI BUT NATURALLY
CANNOT VOUCH FOR HOW OTHER ZAIRIAN EMBASSIES WILL INTERPRET
THIS POINT.

2/ TWO AMCIT TRAVELLERS WITH VALID ZAIRIAN VISAS RECENTLY
DENIED ENTRY TO ZAIRE FROM RWANDA AND CONSULATE NOT ABLE
TO SECURE EXCEPTION.

3/ ALL ADDRESSEES SHOULD THEREFORE INFORM AMCITS WHO MAY
QUERY THEM REGARDING TRAVEL TO ZAIRE THAT NO QUARANTEE
CAN BE GIVEN THAT THEY WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER ZAIRE
UNLESS THEY ENTER VIA KINSHASA. APPRECIATE COOPERATION ALL
CONCERNED.

4/ FOR DEPARTMENT: WE GATHER ZAIRIAN EMBASSY, WASHINGTON MAY
HAVE GIVEN WRONG STEAR THIS POINT WITHIN LAST MONTH. F.Y.I.
AIR FARES KIGALI OR BUJUMBURA TO KINSHASA APPROXIMATELY
360 DOLLARS ONE WAY END F.Y.I. PLEASE TRY TO PUBLICIZE
THIS INFO AMONG USG AND POSSIBLY AMONG MAJOR TRAVEL AGENCIES
AND AIRLINES SERVING CENTRAL AFRICA.
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